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REMARKS

In the office action, claims 4, 5, 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph; claims 1-3, 6-7 and 9-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by EP 0912015 A2 (Chuah); Claims 4 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Chuah in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,105,070 (Gaylord); Claims 5 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Chuah in view of Gaylord and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,285,662 (Watanaba et al.); and claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Chuah in view of Watanabe. With respect to the 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph rejection, those claims have been canceled.

With respect to the newly added claims, the cited references do not disclose the elements of the new claims. In particular, they do not disclose a flow control entity for the MAC-c/sh and controlling access of a forward access common channel (FACH). Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the new claims are allowable.

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Reconsideration and entry of this amendment are respectfully requested.

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